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This illustration shows the amount from every dollar designated to each fee that students pay per credit hour.



Incidental fees:
(68 cents per dollar)

The incidental fees goes toward paying bills, utilities and student salaries.

Textbook fees:
(2 cents per dollar)

Textbook fees cover the cost of textbooks for students.

Technology fees:
(6 cents per dollar)

6 cents of every dollar goes toward providing Internet in Residence Halls, University issued laptop, and other technological tools.

Designated fees:
(24 cents per dollar)

A portion of designated fees provide funding for scholarships, Safe Ride, Student Activities Council and sustainability.

Tuition fees spread throughout University

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Very few would willingly part with over \$2,000 without knowing why. In reality, though, this is something nearly every Northwest student does every semester without a single question.

When it comes to paying tuition, there are a variety of ways to pay. Some students like freshman Jessica Farber, receive help paying tuition from parents. Others, such as junior Nichole McClellin, have loans that they will eventually pay back. Regardless of how the bill gets paid, it does indeed get paid . . . yet, when that bill is paid, do you know what you are

paying for?

For Missouri resident undergrads, education at Northwest comes at \$257.31 per credit hour. The price goes up for non-resident undergrads, adding up to \$460.93 per credit hour. Credit hour costs can be broken into four categories: designated, textbook, technology and incidental; these categories determine where certain parts of the funds go.

Designated fees, according to the Tuition and Fee section of the Bursar's website, covers a portion of scholarships, bond payment, capital improvement, academic equipment, readership program, Safe Rides, sustainability, health, and activity fees. These fees amount to \$62.75

per credit hour for both residents and non-residents.

In short, these fees are designed to continue to provide the commodities students are used to. They are automatically included. For example, of that \$62.75, 50 cents from every credit hour goes toward funding Safe Ride.

"I get a report every month, and last month alone, we had around 2,366 passengers," University Police Chief Clarence Green said. "In my opinion, it's well worth it."

This fee might make sense when it comes to services such as Safe Ride, used by many students, or academic equipment which is necessary for teaching, but

not all services seem necessary to everyone.

"I don't go to everything," junior Arienne Bredlow said of student activities. "Why am I paying for it if I'm not going?"

Bredlow said that it would be better for people to pay for the services as they use them. Junior Nichole McClellin agreed.

"Being a commuter, I would rather have food included," McClellin said.

McClellin said she uses Safe Rides, but works most nights and cannot attend events put on by the Student Activities Counsel. She would rather see food,

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University hosts forum to encourage students

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Northwest students have the opportunity to be engaged and meet some 2012 election candidates.

Missouri candidates for elected office have been invited to participate in the Candidate's Forum at Northwest on Oct. 25th from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. in the ballroom of the J.W. Jones Student Union.

Political science professor, Michelle Wade said the Political Science Club sponsors the Candidates Forum.

"The goal of the Political Science Club is to encourage civic education and engagement," Wade said.

Much like the presidential debates, each candidate will be allotted so many minutes to speak to the audience, introduce him or herself, and explain his platform or tell the audience why they should vote for the candidate. A time keeper will make sure every candidate is given the same amount of time, and a moderator will introduce candidates and clarify questions. The audience will be given an opportunity to ask questions of all candidates as well.

Senior Hannah Young, president of the Northwest Political Science Club, said that bringing the candidates to campus is important

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City looks at possible drinking ordinances

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Maryville citizens, city employees and University members crammed together Monday at City Hall to discuss the possibility of changing alcohol regulations in the community.

The Maryville City Council, with the help of Maryville Public Safety and the Substance Abuse Task Force at Northwest, is gathering information on whether the bar entry age should be raised to 21 years old and whether a drinking in public ordinance should be created. The present ordinance allows 19-years olds to enter the bars.

"This is just a process that we're going through," Mayor Glenn Jonagan said. "We're going through gathering data. It's not going to be settled any time soon."

"If somewhere along the line,



KARI KOLTS | NW MISSOURIAN

Maryville community met Monday to discuss the option of raising the city bar age from 19 to 21.

maybe December or January, when we feel that we've gotten all the public input, then the council will decide whether there should be any change or not."

Maryville Public Safety visited eight college towns around Missouri to get feedback on bar entry

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City prepares Pub's fallen walls for rebuilding process

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The fallen brick walls are replaced as construction on The Pub prepares for the coming winter.

The Pub is a traditional spot in Maryville for Northwest college students and community members alike. The Pub, located at 414 N. Main St., collapsed due to structural damage on Sept. 1, 2011.

"There was a lady who noticed the wall cracking, and they weren't sure other than there was some damage to the wall on the south side, and they think that's what caused it to give way," Maryville Public Works director C.E. Goodall said.

After a few delays, the rebuilding project has taken great strides in the past few months.

"They have moved along bet-



LORI FRANKENFIELD | NW MISSOURIAN

The Pub on N. Main Street is under reconstruction after a collapse over a year ago.

ter the past six months than we had for the first year," Goodall said. "I think a lot of it had to play in with the owner's insurance company and things like that, which kept it from moving along as anticipated."

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Missouri governor race takes turn toward judicial action

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The race for governor has taken a negative turn. After several attack ads on both sides, Republican candidate Dave Spence has filed a lawsuit in retaliation.

Spence officially announced his candidacy for governor November of last year. He faces incumbent Gov. Jay Nixon, who is running for a second term after winning the Aug. 7 Democratic primary election. Despite polls consistently showing that Nixon had a comfortable margin over his opponent, Spence did not slow his campaign.

When Nixon's campaign be-

gan airing commercials claiming Spence was a banker, and he used part of a \$40 million federal bank bailout to purchase a vacation home, Spence fought back.

"I filed this lawsuit for one simple reason," Spence said in a prepared statement. "We need good people in politics."

Filed in Cole County Circuit Court, the lawsuit claims Nixon "maliciously or recklessly broadcasted false statements," describing Spence as a banker who used federal bailout money to buy a vacation home. The suit seeks unspecified monetary damages.

Nixon's campaign was contacted

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HUMANS VS. ZOMBIES



HANNAH JURGENSEN | NW MISSOURIAN

Northwest students Shawn Crawford, Christopher Sloop and Seth Beeler sit outside of the J.W. Jones Student Union waiting to attack in their game of Zombies vs. Humans.

University targets student success through task force

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Northwest's mission is never wavering: to focus on student success—every student, every day. With the creation of a new task force, the administration hopes to see student success increase.

The Student Success Task Force is a result of research by the Foundations of Excellence to figure out ways to increase student success and retention rates.

Matt Baker, vice president of Student Affairs, said this task force is centered around first-year students and the experiences they have.

"We went and started what we call a self study called the Foundations of Excellence, and we used a national institute, the John Gardner institute, for the first-year experience," Baker said. "John Gardner has written for 25 years in the

higher ed industry about the importance of the first-year experience of college to student success—all the interpersonal and emotional things that happen, all of the academic things that happen in a first year of college—they're huge and really foundational to a student's success."

The University has laid out its plans for what it wants to do to increase students' success and how it wants to execute those plans. The task force's job is to now look at ways to accomplish everything before it.

The Student Success Task Force has only just begun to meet, split into committees and begin tackling the tasks before it. One change already on the table are changes to the Freshman seminar program.

Baker said a goal the task force has set for itself is to increase retention from 71 percent to 75 percent.

Fallout shelters still in use

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Reminders of the fear many Americans felt during the height of the Cold War can still be found in Maryville.

Originally designed to protect occupants from radioactive debris or fallout resulting from a nuclear explosion, there are still fallout shelters around Northwest.

From the end of World War II until the early 1990s, the world faced a period of heightened international tension. The Cold War was a period of conflict between the Soviet Union and the Western democracies over the Soviet takeover of Eastern European states after World War 2.

In 1949 when President Harry Truman made it publicly

known that the Soviet Union detonated their first atomic bomb, fallout shelters were built for urban dwellers to escape to in the event of a nuclear attack. The fallout shelters around Northwest were built relative to the height of the Cold War and the threat of a nuclear war between the United States and the Union of Soviet Republics.

Mike Ceperley, emergency management coordinator of University Police, said the fallout locations around Northwest are still in use today as classrooms and storage.

"I believe, but not sure, that they are still marked due to potential dangers associated with the Cooper Nuclear Station nearby in Nebraska," Ceperley said.

Shelters are made of concrete, lead, and dirt that reduce

gamma ray exposures, and inhabitants could remain in the shelter for up to two months. Beta and Gamma radiation are the prominent threats from an atomic bomb blast, causing internal DNA alteration, according to u-s-history.com.

Modern fallout shelters range in sophistication from down-and-dirty underground dens to opulent, impenetrable palaces, and with the paranoia of Doomsday, business is booming. CNN.com reports that sales of premade and custom-made bunkers have increased 1,000 percent. There are even full underground communities where you can purchase living quarters. These modern shelters are being installed within driving distance of major cities.

Sustainability programs see profits

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With each square bale of recyclables, the Northwest sustainability program becomes one step closer to its goal of being self-sufficient.

During the 2011-2012 academic year, the sustainability program not only saw savings but also profit from recycling collected. The University had a total of \$27,511 in savings in landfill costs.

The sustainability efforts is funded by a student fee built into tuition that was approved last year by the Student Senate, said John Viau, Northwest sustainability coordinator.

"To me, it means self-supporting; that's if you can't get it sustainable and you have to put more money into something than you are getting out of it,

then it's not sustainable," Chris Redden, hardscape and recycling supervisor, said. "So my goal for recycling is to have it paying for the trash and the recycling in three years or less at 100 percent cost."

Waste management, outreach and energy are the three main sustainability focuses on campus.

Northwest generates a large amount of solid waste on campus, last year just short of 1.9 million pounds of solid waste was generated on campus creating almost a 2 percent reduction in the amount of total waste generated last year, Viau said.

Over the course of last year the sustainability program diverted 644,927 pounds of waste from going to the landfill, saving the University a total of \$16,929. The cost to take one ton of solid waste to the landfill is \$54

per ton.

"Over the course of the summer we applied for and received a grant for a baler and the manpower and instillation of it. And the basis of that was that we can responsibly store those recyclables. We can store them, and when the market is right, we can decide when to transport," Viau said.

A baler will allow the University to transport more recycled goods in one trip, saving on transportation costs and giving the opportunity to collect more recycled goods.

The sustainability department has multiple plans for the future, such as adding recycling bins at the football game to help collect more recyclables and divert costs and also outreach and education events to gain student support.

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History museum hosts American Folklife exhibit

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As a part of a special topics course, students at Northwest put together an American folklife exhibit to be displayed in the Nodaway County Historical Society Museum.

The class is the history of American folklife, which studies many aspects of folklife such as architecture, cooking, myths and music. Northwest graduate student Brent Trout is involved with the project and said music was chosen as the focus because in many cases it serves as a form of oral history.

"I believe it does resonate with

students because we all have a connection to music," Trout said.

Although the public will only see the final product, an entire semester of work has gone into the development and execution of the exhibit. The class has read material on exhibit design and practices, along with researching the definition of folk music in America. Researching each topic, creating design drafts, assembling the displays, compiling and recording the audio piece, and countless group meetings have had to take place in order for the exhibit to be successful. The class has had guest speakers from the National Archive in Kansas City and the

Kansas Historical Society.

The theme of the exhibit is "The People and Places of Folk," displaying all genres-Blues, Appalachian, ragtime, and modern indie-folk, with a common theme: the diversity of folk music. Bob Dylan, Woody Guthrie, and The Lomaxes are showcased within the exhibit.

Northwest senior Madeline Mongar, also involved in the project, said the class divided into groups that will work to create a display with an interactive component and an audio piece for each genre.

"The group members have had to work closely with one another through the process of brainstorm-

"I believe it does resonate with students because we all have a connection to music,"

Brent Trout

ing possible ideas for each component, designing drafts, and the execution," Mongar said. "All of the topics seem different and unique, but they share the underlying commonality of the folk."

Trout said working with the Nodaway County History Society

has been a joy.

"I have enjoyed learning behind-the-scenes elements of museums and how they operate," Trout said. "The museum and Dr. Steiner have been very accommodating."

The exhibit opens at 7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Nov. 16. Ryan Spearman, a singer, songwriter, multi-instrumentalist and recipient of the 2012 EarthDance Farms Mission Award for his work exploring the connections between sustainability and music, will perform for free in the Studio Theater at the Ron Houston Center for Performing Arts from 6 p.m. to 7:15 p.m. with limited seating.



HANNAH JURGENSEN | NW MISSOURIAN

Students in Northwest's psychology of groups and teams course are hosting a shoe drive for kids. "Kicks for Kids" is collecting gently used tennis shoes.

'Kicks for Kids' lacking donations around town

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With just a pair of shoes, students and community members can help a child in need.

Students of the Northwest psychology of groups and teams class set up "Kicks for Kids" bins across the campus and community to collect new or gently used shoes.

The students began their project Oct. 2. However, simply putting up bins may not be enough to achieve this goal.

So far, no donations have been

made to the bins at Laura Street Baptist Church or Eugene Field Elementary School.

"I think it's a worthy thing to do," Office Manager Jean Chitwood said. "But I don't know how much of a response that they're going to have with people by just putting a box out. It would be more receptive to people if they actually knew what it was about."

Eugene Field secretary Kathy Ludwit said usually people are good about donating. Ludwit said she is not sure if parents are aware of the bin.

17th annual trick or treat event set

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Candy, costumed children and local Maryville businesses will come together for the 17th Annual Downtown Trick or Treat Night.

Fifty-four Maryville businesses will take part in the event from 5 to 7 p.m. Oct. 30 by setting up different activities for families to enjoy downtown.

"This is one of our favorite nights," Ken Carmichael, manager of Carson's, said. "We all dress up as a staff and have as much fun as the kids."

There is a \$5 cost for each sponsoring business, which use this night for self-promotion.

Along with Carson's, other businesses will be doing things to interact with the community, such as the Elks Lodge 760, which will spend the evening serving hot dogs to families.

"This is a fun way to see the public and kids," Keitha Clapp, Maryville Florists owner, said. "I'm not sure what to expect for this year... but it is usually a good turnout."

Mozingo Lake makes designated areas available for hunting, trapping seasons

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Mozingo Lake will allow the trapping of muskrats and beavers beginning in November to help with erosion control.

Waterfowl, squirrels and rabbits are among the list of animals allowed to be harvested by shotgun only on Mozingo Lake grounds. Deer and turkey can also be harvested by archery methods only.

Mozingo Lake has 1,000 acres of water and 2,000 acres of property surrounding the lake. Hunting and trapping will be allowed from the east side of the lake, from 230th Street north and also on the west side from 245th Street north, said Grant Evans, Mozingo Lake manager.

"This is the first year that we've done that. Part of the reason were going to allow trapping is because of the erosion in the lake, and muskrats and beavers contribute to the erosion," Evans said. "This is kind of a trial and error thing, I don't really know how

many people to expect."

State permits, which can be acquired through the Missouri Department of Conservation, are required for the hunting and trapping of animals harvested at Mozingo Lake. A special trapping permit through the city will also be needed for the harvest of muskrats and beavers.

"The trapping at Mozingo information, we will put that online; we will place them at the city clerk's office, and I'm sure we will place them at Mozingo too," Greg McDanel, Maryville city manager, said. "So we will try to get them in as many places as possible."

The city trapping permits can also be received from Evans by calling 660.562.2089.

"We will see how this year goes, how many people request it and how successful we are, and that will determine if we continue in the future," Evans said. "It's a resource that's never been tapped before, as far as trapping, so I think there is going to be a pretty good success rate."

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How do you feel about how your student fees are being spent?



“I go to most of the activities, but I would rather pay the minimum like everyone else, rather than a little extra to put on events.”

Austin Morales
Secondary Education/
Mathematics
Freshman



“As long as the university is spending it wisely, I have no problem. But if it is on nonsensical things it should not be done.”

Kelley Gates
Mass Media/
Broadcasting
Junior



“I feel really good about it. I feel confident on how things are going. I feel all the money I am spending is going to really amazing things.”

Kyle Stover
Social Science
Education
Senior



“I feel like some are spent really well, but I feel like we spend a lot of money on sub par internet and some outdated textbooks.”

Mary Nuernberger
Pre-vet
Junior



“Student fees should go toward parking and internet, the internet could be faster. It could also go toward better food in the Union too.”

Zachary Williams
Horticulture and
Business Management
Junior

Radical religions have no part in politics



THOMAS DRESSLER
Missourian Reporter

The separation of church and state has long been ingrained in the fabric of American life, and most Americans have agreed to the notion that this simple concept has contributed greatly to the success of our great democratic experiment.

In the past, when religion and politics have mixed, it has led to widespread fanatical Christian extremism that has stormed out from our churches and infiltrated Washington's halls of justice. Currently, the fight many Christians are championing is the fight against gay marriage, and after the whole Chick-fil-A ordeal, the dispute is as intense as ever.

The most significant crisis to-

day, however, is modern and scientific progress and its struggle against Christian fundamentalism.

Earlier this month, Rep. Paul Broun (R-Ga.) tore into basic scientific principles at a church banquet, saying “all that stuff I was taught about evolution and embryology and the Big Bang Theory, all that is lies straight from the pit of Hell.” Broun also chimed in his belief that the earth is 9,000 years old.

Now the ridiculous rejection of science is nothing new for religious circles. They have been doing it ever since Galileo made the blasphemous claim that the Earth rotated around the sun and Darwin published his theory of evolution.

What makes what Broun said so damning is that he sits on the House Science, Space and Technology committee, along with Rep. Todd “Rape doesn’t cause pregnancy” Akin (Cro-Magnon-Mo.).

Here you have two radical Christians who are making deci-

sions affecting our nation on the important subject of science. Informed decisions on these matters are crucial, not just to our progress as a nation, but to our progress as humans.

Let’s consider some facts here: 97 percent of scientists support the theory of evolution, compared to 2 percent that deny it, according to a Pew Research survey. When it comes to climate change, 84 percent of scientists believe in man-made global warming, according to another Pew Research poll.

If a vast majority of our professional scientists come to a consensus, you would think the American people would trust their judgment. Unfortunately, that doesn’t seem to be the case.

We cannot continue to elect and allow people like Broun and Akin, whose faith obviously supersedes what minute amount of intelligence they might possess, and who have an absurd viewpoint guided by a blind belief in an unknown entity.

Bad news with national pit bull month



ERIN FUNK
Designer

During National Pit Bull Awareness Month, recent news surfaced regarding NFL superstar Michael Vick confirming his family owns a dog. Animal lovers, especially ‘dog people,’ are enraged.

The Pro Bowl quarterback spent 18 months in federal prison on dog-fighting charges after an investigation found that he not only ran a dog-fighting ring, but murdered dogs by hanging, drowning and beating them.

Now, during the month used to stand up for these victimized pups Vick is “making sure his children grow up developing a healthy relationship to animals.”

It was illegal for Vick to own a dog during his probation, but now that it has ended, there is nothing legally saying he cannot.

When purchasing or adopting an animal, it is usually at the facility’s discretion who is allowed to leave with a dog and whether or not that person’s history is taken into consideration. Whoever decided Vick should be allowed to own a pet should be ashamed. But some people will argue that his is punishing the kids. Their father should have thought about that before pleading guilty to being a monster. There are plenty of ways that the Vick family

could ensure healthy relationships with animals besides allowing one to be left alone with a killer. Volunteering at animal shelters or zoo would be a great solution.

People who defend Vick and say that he paid his dues in jail and is rehabilitated are wrong. He said, “my past and what I did in the culture I grew up in doesn’t shape and mold me as the person I am now.” Wrong.

Let’s say a mother of two is convicted of murder for drowning one of her children. She was released from prison and she paid her dues. Would you allow her to have custody of her other child? No.

But there is a contradiction. The pets, the creatures that depend on owners for survival, get a second chance, unlike the heartless abusers. Dogs are lovers, not fighters. Unless terrible people, like Vick and many others, teach them to be. During this month, there are groups of people trying to remind others of that.

During October and especially on Oct. 27, National Pit Bull Awareness Day, pit bulls, the stars of ‘bully breeds,’ or dogs that have a common ancestor in Molossers, protectors of ancient Greece, are honored for being loving animals, not the vicious canines bad owners



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Blake, an American Staffordshire Terrier, a ‘bully bread’ at New Nodaway Humane Society.

turn them into.

Next time a pit bull passes by you or a stocky, low-to-the-ground snout barks at you, remember, not all dogs are meant for hugs and kisses, and every person needs to be educated. That is why there are months and days dedicated to the animals with bad reputations.

Do not allow irresponsible owners and bad people like Vick to ruin what dogs really do - love us. For a chance to be a positive influence on dogs and show that people do care, visit the local shelter, New Nodaway Humane Society, which cares for bully breeds.

Take proper steps, avoid influenza virus

SUZANNE VONBEHREN

University Wellness Services Staff Nurse

Fall is a wonderful time of year – beautiful weather, leaves changing colors, and Bearcat football victories. Unfortunately, it also signals the start of the upcoming influenza season (October through May). According to the Journal of American Medical Association, 36,000 people on average in the United States die from the influenza virus.

The virus can cause mild to severe illness and, although rare, can also be potentially fatal. Most healthy adults are able to infect others beginning one day before symptoms start and up to five to seven days after becoming sick. Usually a sudden onset, symptoms include high fever, dry cough, headache and body aches.

The flu shot is an inactivated vaccine that stimulates your body to create antibodies that help fight off the influenza virus. It is not uncommon for people who get the flu shot to feel mildly ill for a few days after receiving the vaccine. Another important note—full immunity may take up to two weeks after receiving the shot, so make sure to get your flu shot early in the flu season.

However, there are a few things you can do to help prevent the flu. The first step is becoming armed with the influenza vaccine. The vaccine reduces the chances of getting the flu by about 75 percent, according to the U.S. De-

partment of Health and Human Services.

It is important to check with your primary care provider if you have any questions about the vaccine, especially if you have a severe allergic reaction to eggs, are pregnant or planning to become pregnant or have specific medical conditions.

Another important tool in the fight against influenza is frequent hand washing. If soap and water are not available, use an alcohol-based hand rub. Other preventative measures include routinely cleaning frequently touched objects and surfaces such as telephones, doorknobs, and keyboards.

Things like maintaining good nutrition, stress management, drinking 8-10 glasses of water daily, adequate rest, and frequent exercise are among the tools that can be used to build a better, stronger immune system.

If you do become ill with influenza, there are some key steps you can take to get back on the road to recovery: get plenty of fluids and lots of rest, take anti-viral medications if prescribed by your provider. Lastly, make sure to stay home from work or school until you are fever free for 24 hours (without the use of fever-reducing medications).

Limited amounts of free flu shots are available to NW students - schedule your appointment with University Wellness Center.

OUR VIEW:

Follow your dollars, know what you pay

Everything is expensive these days. A college education is no exception. While it is understandable that we need to pay a large amount for our education, a large portion of our tuition goes toward student fees. Student fees are based on credit hours, so it changes for everyone every semester.

The fees that are worked into our tuition go mostly unnoticed by the student body. Students can see how much they pay in student fees on the Bursar’s Office page on the Northwest website. Students should be aware of where this extra money goes.

These fees also go toward important resources like Safe Ride, teaching equipment and technology. They also go toward student activities. The budget used by the Student Activities Council is made up of fees charged to students. SAC then uses its budget to put on events on campus.

Many students do not attend SAC’s events, so the idea of charg-

ing every student a fee for something they are not using seems pointless. Another problem that has arisen this year is the fact that we pay a technology fee, yet we have not had consistent Internet connections. For being the “Electronic Campus” it seems ironic that we have so many technology problems.

The amount we pay in fees should be equivalent to the service we receive from the school. We should be enjoying bigger name performers for our concert and consistent, stronger Internet around campus. We pay a significant sum of money toward these budgets, and we should be seeing that money spent actively around campus.

We need to see an overhaul of our student fees. Every year we see an increase in tuition prices and fees. While the University is headed down a path to almost full student funding, it is an added burden on students. In the face of rising tuition, it is difficult for students to afford college, let alone the added frivolous fees.

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CORRECTION:

Suspects in murder of Tomarken Smith await trial

In the Oct. 18 edition of The Northwest Missourian there was a mistake on the front page with the story concerning the two men awaiting trial in the Tomarken Smith case.

With the story were two mug shots (the ones seen to the right) which were wrongly labeled. The Missourian had Kevin D. Moony’s name under the photo of Tony M. Overlin and Overlin’s name under the photo of Moony.

The Missourian would like to apologize to its readers for the confusion and take this opportunity to present the information correctly.



Kevin D. Moony



Tony M. Overlin

BILL

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outside of a food plan, as an included fee instead of services she does not use.

The student activity fee adds up to approximately \$5.50 per credit hour. This fee goes toward providing events such as the fall and spring concert series, special events such as the hot air balloon ride last year and late night events. This fee also supports additional allocation funds for the Student Senate, giving student groups a larger pool of money to apply for allocations.

“Within the Office of Campus Activities, we take the activities fee that we’re provided by the students very seriously and with a great responsibility,” Director of Student Activities Angel McAdams said.

McAdams defended the necessity of the student activity fee.

“We strive to ensure that the

fees we’re using meet student needs in terms of entertainment,” McAdams said. “We work to support student satisfaction and student retention at Northwest.”

As for the textbook and technology fee, they are exactly as they sound: \$6.00 per credit hour allows students to rent textbooks each semester. Technology fees, \$14.00 per credit hour, go to providing Internet in Residence Halls, the maintenance of University issued laptops, running the Electronic Support Center and technological tools such as projectors, according to the Computer Services Help Desk.

Individually, these fees may not sound like a huge incurrence. If a student takes 15 credit hours, though, they are paying \$210 for technology upkeep even though Internet blackouts and low connectivity are among common student complaints this semester.

The last category of student tuition is the incidental fees. For ev-

ery credit hour taken by a student, the University receives \$174.56 from residents and \$378.18 from non-residents. In the example of a student taking 15 credit hours, this adds up to around \$2,600 for residents. For non-residents, that amount goes up to \$5,600.

This, said Bursar Terri Christenson, is the base of the University. “It pays all the bills,” she said. “It goes in the pot that pays all the expenses related to running the University. Everybody is given a budget, and everybody is given a salary, so it is budgeted against everyone’s salary and operating expenses.”

The incidental fee is money used to pay bills, utilities and student salaries: virtually any and every cost required to keep campus up and moving.

For more information about what you are paying to the University, visit the Tuition and Fees tab on the Bursar’s page on the Northwest website.

PUB

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The Pub has not been announced, but Maryville Public Works maintains weekly contact with the owners for updated information. .

“It’s a private project by the property owners, so their construction schedule, I believe, the last time I heard, was to have the building completely enclosed by winter,” Maryville city manager Greg McDanel, said. “They finished the work on enclosing the building last week.”

Most construction from this point on will be on the inside of The Pub building, McDanel said.

“We are looking forward to seeing it get finished up, so we can have another business back and running downtown,” Goodall said. “I do

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Greg McDanel

think our code enforcement officer, Jim Wiederholt, has done a good job with trying to work with the business owner and trying to keep things moving forward.”

DRINKING

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age and drinking in public ordinances. Those evaluated were Warrensburg, Springfield, Columbia, St. Joseph, Rolla, Kirksville, Cape Girardeau and Joplin.

MPS discovered that Maryville was the only college town, out of those surveyed, that does not have a drinking in public ordinance. Also, along with Maryville, Rolla and Cape Girardeau were the only towns that allowed minors into the bars.

Springfield, the home of Missouri State University, bans bars from having drink specials and from allowing minors into establishments that make 60 percent or more of their revenue in alcohol sales.

Student Senate sent out a survey to retrieve feedback on the issue - 261 students responded. Of those, nearly 70 percent were un-

der the age of 21.

The results showed, 78 percent were against raising the bar-entry age, 7 percent were for it, 13 percent were neutral and 2 percent saw both sides of the matter.

“It’s just not a simple thing of saying ‘yes’ or ‘no’ as a council,” Jonagan said. “I’m sure that somewhere along the line, even if we keep the ordinance the same, there’s a number of things that we should be doing...we want to be very, very patient and take our time with this.”

Jen Kennymore, a health educator at the Wellness Center and a member of the Substance Abuse Task Force, said a main concern is the need for alternative activities for people less than 21 years of age.

“Another thing we’ve discussed is alternative activities,” Jen Kennymore said. “We do offer quite a few at Northwest, but we know that a lot of students obviously want to go off campus to have fun, to socialize, to dance. That’s some of the feedback that we’ve gotten

from students. That’s why they want to go to the bars, to socialize, to dance, to have another way to connect with their peers.”

The survey conducted by Student Senate revealed that 69 percent of those surveyed went to the bars to socialize, 13 percent went to dance, 13 percent chose other as an option and only 5 percent chose drinking as their reason for attending the bars.

Mayor Jonagan said the city needs to do a better job advertising the things the community has to offer and hopes the changes being made at Mozingo Lake will offer students more entertainment options. Mozingo recently hosted a fall event weekend, complete with a haunted campground and 5k, which attracted nearly 1,000 attendees.

“We’re not doing a good job with the college if we get the replies saying ‘what is there to do?’” Jonagan said.

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Blotter from the Maryville Department of Public Safety

October 18
A bicycle reported stolen was recovered at the 1400 block of South Munn Street.

A vehicle driven by Lindsay J. Irving, Maryville, Mo., was involved in an accident at the 1100 block of East Fifth Street.

October 17
There is an ongoing investigation of fraudulent activity at the 800 block of North Mulberry Street.

A Guilford, Mo., subject reported that someone had stolen property from his shed.

A Burlington Junction, Mo., subject reported that someone had burglarized his home.

October 16
A Guilford, Mo., subject reported that they were being harassed.

Vehicles driven by Sharry A. Bredebsteiner, 46, Maryville, Mo., and James A. Vanbaren, Maryville, Mo. were in an accident at the 400 block of North Market Street.

October 15
Abdurahman A. Almaghrabi, 22,

Maryville, Mo., was arrested on a warrant.

A Ravenwood, Mo., subject reported someone had stolen property from her home.

Shawn W. Hansen, 18, Maryville, Mo., was arrested on a Nodaway County warrant for theft/stealing.

Nicholas A. Haidisiak, 27, Kansas City, Mo., was arrested on a Nodaway County warrant for failure to appear in court.

Alex C. Brosnahan, 21, Maryville, Mo., was arrested on a Nodaway County warrant for theft/stealing.

October 14
Karli E. Parr, 19, Omaha, Neb., was issued a citation for failure to yield after being involved in an accident with Thomas J. Kemper, 56, Conception Junction, Mo., at the corner of West First Street and North Walnut Street.

October 13
Ronald L. Burden Jr., 45, Maryville, Mo., was arrested on a Nodaway County warrant for possession of a controlled substance.

October 12

Lawrence C. King, 81, Maryville, Mo., was arrested on a Nodaway County warrant for second-degree child molestation.

John B. Logsdon II, 41, Bullhead City, Ariz., was arrested on a Nodaway County warrant for probation violation.

October 11
There is an ongoing investigation of sexual misconduct at the 600 block of North Main Street.

A vehicle driven by Sara N. Tompkins, Maryville, Mo., was involved in an accident at the 400 block of North Laura Street.

Matthew M. Hanes, 26, Maryville, Mo., was arrested on a Nodaway County warrant for failure to appear in court.

October 10
There is an ongoing investigation of property damage at the 1100 block of South Main Street.

Cindi L. Hiles, 52, Skidmore, Mo., was arrested on a Nodaway County warrant for driving while intoxicated.

John M. Meyer, 24, Barnard, Mo.,

was arrested on a Nodaway County warrant for probation violation.

October 9
Charles C. Bradham, 44, Maryville, Mo., was arrested on a Nodaway County warrant for probation violation.

October 8
A Maryville, Mo., subject reported that his mailbox had been damaged.

A Graham, Mo., subject reported that she had been harassed.

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Ronald J. Maser, 24, Greenfield, Iowa, was arrested on a Nodaway County warrant for possession of up to 35 grams of marijuana and unlawful use of drug paraphernalia.

October 7
An Anabel, Mo., subject reported that someone had stolen items from his vehicle.

October 5
Nicholas S. Nigh, 18, Omaha, Neb., was arrested for possession of 35 grams or less of marijuana.

Jeremiah F. Haug, 18, New Market,

Iowa, was arrested for possession of 35 grams or less of marijuana.

Robert C. Heiman, 27, Afton, Iowa, was arrested on a Nodaway County warrant for failure to appear in court.

October 4
Tiffani Waterman, 20, Barnard, Mo., was arrested on a Nodaway County warrant for theft/stealing.

October 3
A Maryville, Mo., subject reported that their mailbox had been damaged.

A Maryville, Mo., subject reported she had been harassed.

Stevie N. Frazier, 21, Maryville, Mo., was arrested for third-degree domestic assault.

October 1
Bruce A. Fair, 19, Trenton, Mo., was arrested for driving while intoxicated.

September 25
Michael T. Merrigan, 47, Barnard, Mo., was arrested for driving while intoxicated.

September 21
A Conception, Mo., subject reported that her vehicle had been vandalized.

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Los Angeles Times Daily Crossword Puzzle

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1 Funnylady Rudner
5 Pack the groceries again
10 Eyes, to Juanita
14 Oodles
15 Condescend
16 Ivory soap ad word
17 Wagon boss's directive
19 Suffix with opal
20 Arnaz of "Here's Lucy"
21 "Bewitched" witch
23 PennySaver listing, usually
26 Pitches well?
27 Lacking direction
29 Home of Dolphins and Marlins
32 Bunch of bills
35 Potted herb spot
36 Deep valley
37 Winged deity
39 Replay type, briefly
41 Cabinet dept. concerned with power
42 Symbolize
44 Cup of joe
46 Singleton
47 Failed to act
48 One of the M's in MoMA
50 "The Hunger Games" actor Kravitz
52 Places in a pyramid
56 Scrambled alternative
59 Give a hoot
60 River isles
61 "See?" follower
64 Prego rival
65 Nixon staffer G. Gordon ____
66 Get ready, as for surgery
67 Food for hogs
68 Close call

Down
1 "Unmistakably Lou" Grammy winner
2 Intestinal section
3 Puccini classic
4 Head Hun
5 Dietary guideline letters
6 Always, to Pope
7 Many eBay clicks
8 Filled with horror
9 Pointy-hatted garden character
10 Talk show caller's opportunity
11 "War on Drugs" slogan
12 Theater sect.
13 "____ penny, pick it up ..."
18 Uses a blowtorch on
22 Soprano Gluck
24 Give up one's seat, say
25 Herb used in borscht
28 Nickname in Olympics sprinting
30 Big name in faucets
31 Memo starter
32 Marries
33 Field of study
34 "Hold on!"
36 Witches' assembly
38 Recovers from a night on the town
40 Whipped up
43 Actress Daly
45 Pretentiously highbrow
48 "____ River": 2003 drama directed by Clint Eastwood
49 Pessimist's phrase
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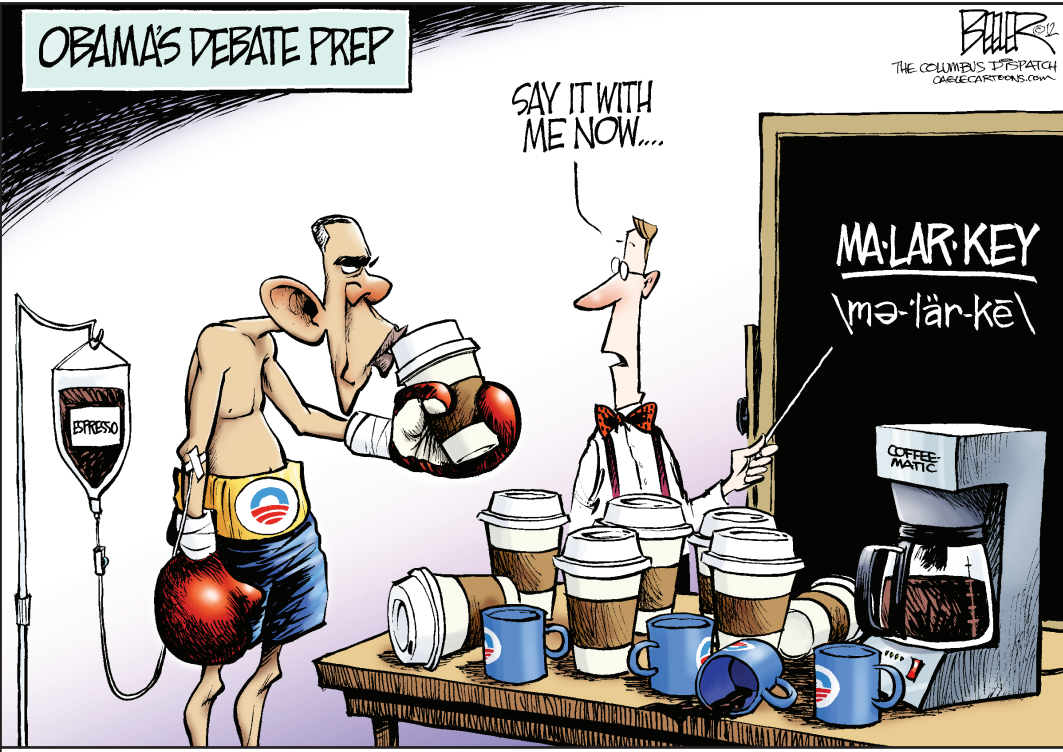
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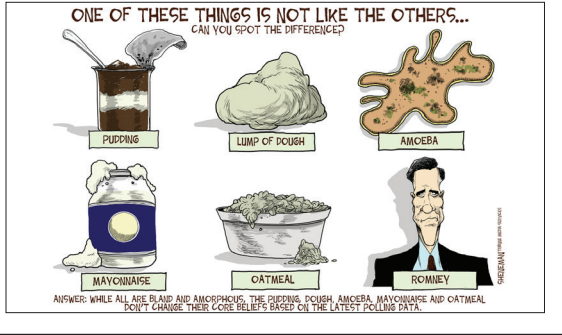
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ONE OF THESE THINGS IS NOT LIKE THE OTHERS... CAN YOU SPOT THE DIFFERENCE?

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Horoscopes:

Today's Birthday (10/25/12). This will most likely be a year of change at work, so flexibility is key. Profitable opportunities develop, and overall there's jingle in your pockets. Balance work with play, exercise and delicious healthy food. Let go of habits that no longer serve.

Aries (Mar. 21-April 19) -- Today is a 6 -- Someone provides an important contact. Details hamper advancement. Discipline is required, but if anybody can do it, it's you now. Accept your partner's suggestion. Do it with gusto.

Taurus (April 20-May 20) -- Today is an 8 -- Spiritual senses awaken. Focus

on love and friendship, and you can get farther than ever before. Create a practical solution to a financial challenge.

Gemini (May 21-June 20) -- Today is an 8 -- Odds are good there's something you don't know. Follow through with your promises, regardless. Catch up on all the news. Play by the book and close the deal.

Cancer (June 21-July 22) -- Today is an 8 -- Potentially hazardous conditions threaten. Stick to your budget, and postpone household chores. Let somebody else argue with authority. Your moral compass guides you through the tight spots.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) -- Today is a 6 -- Don't try to pay everyone's way. Pay attention to details to increase your capabilities. Assume authority. Working smartly pays off. Follow your emotional desires.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) -- Today is an 8 -- Exceptional patience will be required. Stop and smell the roses for a spiritual lift. Don't forget what's important, and go for it. It's even okay if somebody gets mad.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) -- Today is a 7 -- Be super productive at work now so that you have more time to play later. It's important to follow the protocol, even as you add your personal touch.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) -- Today is a 9 -- Emotions add extra drive. Follow a hunch, but be respectful and cautious. Private connections lead to profits. Try to understand other people's feelings. Good time to sell.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) -- Today is a 9 -- Clean up at home. Be very careful of sharp objects. Don't take what you have for granted. Remember your old experiences and use them. Tell a female about your feelings.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) -- Today is an 8 -- You have more than expected. Watch out for breakage, however. Friends ask

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your advice, so give it. Completion is the secret to your success. Write a love poem.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) -- Today is a 7 -- An escape attempt now will probably fail. Focus instead on making money, even if it seems boring. It requires doing the homework, without cutting corners, to profit.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20) -- Today is a 9 -- You can do more than you thought. Focus on creating income, and cut entertainment spending. Make popcorn and play cards by candlelight. You're rewarded for your loyalty.

THE PERFECT HALLOWEEN

MATT LEIMKUEHLER
Features Editor | @callinghomematt

Halloween is just around the corner, and anticipation can be a real killer. While hashing out what to wear, or what little to wear, here are a few friendly tips on how to utilize the day to the best candy-eatin', movie-watchin' and costume-party goin' Halloween ever.

8:00-9:00 a.m. Suit up.

Rip into that costume early, there's only 24 hours in the day to be dressed up.

9:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Be someone else for a day.

Go to classes, meetings, lunch and everything in between dressed and acting as someone else. Impress your teachers and bosses with your kick-ass costume.

6:00-7:00 p.m. Score some free sugar.

Get the candy rush flowing by hitting all of Residence halls for free candy. If there's homework to be done, just forget it. It will be waiting for you in the morning.

7:00-9:00 p.m. Movie Time

Take your stash home with you, get together with friends or a significant other and watch a horrifically scary movie of choice. There is an entire genre dedicated to this day of the year.

9:00-10:30 p.m. Steve-O is in town.

This semester's Student Activity Council comedian performance lands on the night of the undead, and it is none other than Jackass's Steve-O. Go and have a good laugh; it's not really Halloween without seeing someone stupidly hurt himself.

10:30 p.m.-1:00 a.m. Costume parties.

Whether it's a bar or a house, go out and have fun with friends. Let's hope all the Catwomen find their Batman and all the Harrys find their Ginny. Be scary, but always be safe. This night needs to get remembered for the right reasons.

1:00 a.m.-Bed. Find the best deal.

As soon as midnight hits, all of the Halloween candy goes on sale for half-off or better. Stock up and have enough chocolate to last through Christmas.

THE STROLLER:
Your Man shows Homecoming spirit

Homecoming is on its way once again. That time of year when all the Greeks get their panties in a bunch over floats for the parade. It is also the week when we get pumped up for the football game, and then we forget about the soccer and basketball games. Honestly, whoever remembers the soccer and basketball games?

All joking aside, I love Homecoming weekend. There is just something about waking up before the sun comes up to hear a bell ring one day and then turn around and do it again the next day for a 9 a.m. parade. I can only imagine how cool the floats will be with the REALLY cool theme of "Superheroes and Villains."

I mean, when else can I dress up like Spiderman on Halloween and keep it on for a whole week

through Homecoming? Speaking of Halloween, why is Homecoming so late? It would be just my luck that it would be snowing when I decide to go to the football game dressed in my Spiderman spandex.

Another thing that disappoints me is the fact that we do not carry on the tradition of Homecoming dances once we get to college. Don't you remember in high school when we would get all dolled up and go to the gym and stand awkwardly on opposite sides of the room? Think of all the fun we could have in a safe, controlled, alcohol-free environment. Sounds like heaven on Earth.

One of the best parts about Homecoming that schools will never drop is the popularity contest. Ten of Northwest's greatest

athletes, leaders and Greeks vying for the attention of their peers is the greatest part of the weeks leading up to the big weekend. I think they should have a write-in spot for me. I can only imagine the headline: "The man behind the curtain, the Stroller himself: your 2012-2013 Homecoming king!"

I am willing to work with everyone on that headline. All-in-all, I am excited for this year's Homecoming celebrations. The football game will be fun, and the Variety Show will be more fun. You can expect to see me at all the events.

The Stroller has been a tradition since 1918 and does not reflect the views of The Northwest Missourian.

WHAT'S
HOT

#Romnesia
The president's Twitter account launched a campaign against Mitt Romney this week stating where he stood earlier in the race on an issue then stating where he currently stands, titling the inconstancies #Romnesia.

iPad Mini
Apple is preparing to launch a competitor to other affordable tablets just in time for the holiday season.

Homecoming
Groups campus-wide are preparing for one of the busiest weeks of the year.

"Argo" lives up to high expectations

COREY FROM
Missourian Reporter | @TheMissourian

"Argo", starring and directed by Ben Affleck, is a movie based on a true story about a 1979 American Embassy hostage situation that took place in Iran. It's a brilliant rescue story with exploding excitement, a fantastic cast and amazing cinematography.

Affleck, along with John Goodman and "Breaking Bad" star Bryan Cranston, fill out the cast and fill the screen with talent throughout the entire film. Alongside the dramatic story, the character development includes humor and entertainment such as memorable one-liners that add another dimension to the film and bring the characters to life.

Tony Mendez, played by Affleck, is the man behind the rescue as he plots to save the lives of the men in the embassy. His plan is to disguise a crew of men as a phony film crew and say they are filming in Iran. In the process

they attempt to save the American men. Mendez uses the assistance of some Hollywood filmmakers as name drops to make the rescue more authentic.

The movie is a top-notch drama that shows some historical drama between two countries that are on the brink of a feud in the present. It's delivered with incredible hostage and protesting scenes, compelling action and great character development that is Oscar worthy. Cranston stands out again, as he does in "Breaking Bad", and deserves to be awarded for his efforts as the protector of Affleck throughout the film.

The film is top-notch and will stand out for this year. Affleck will finally get the recognition he deserves as a director, instead of just an actor. After sub-par movies such as "Gone Baby Gone" and "The Town," he can add "Argo" to his arsenal and start being taken seriously as a man behind the scenes.

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Title: Argo
Stars: Ben Affleck, John Goodman, Bryan Cranston
Director: Ben Affleck

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2. Psy-"Gangnam Style"
3. Taylor Swift-"I Knew You Were Trouble"
4. fun-"Some Nights"
5. Taylor Swift-"We Are Never Ever Getting Back Together"

Billboard Top 200

1. Mumford & Sons-"Babel"
2. Macklemore & Ryan Lewis-"The Heist"
3. Kiss-"Monster"
4. MGK-"Lace Up"
5. Coheed and Cambria-"Afterman: Ascension"

In Theaters This Week:

"Chasing Mavericks"
(Drama)
Directors: Michael Apted, Curtis Hanson
Starring: Gerard Butler, John Weston

"Cloud Atlas"
(Suspense/Thriller)
Director: Andy Wachowski, Lana Wachowski, Tom Tykwer
Starring: Tom Hanks, Halle Berry

"Fun Size"
(Comedy)
Director: Josh Schwartz
Starring: Victoria Justice, Thomas Mann

WHAT'S NOT

Lance Armstrong
The cancer-surviving cyclist was stripped of his seven Tour de France titles this week.

Pitt State
Missouri Western destroyed the Gorillas last weekend by a score of 63-14.

Timeflies
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also seen time at quarterback following the loss of MIAA Player of the Year Dane Simoneau to graduation in the offseason.

“Last week they played a couple quarterbacks, then they’re playing a kid, a wide receiver. They’re running quite a bit of Wildcat,” Dorrel said. “But they’re doin’ the same stuff. Their concepts are very similar ... They haven’t changed a lot of stuff up for him. It’s just the kid

CONTENDERS
CONTINUED FROM **A12**

Oklahoma City will win in seven games over L.A. to advance to the Finals.

Cue Laker Nation going ballistic.

Durant, Westbrook and Harden have too much chemistry and talent. Miami showed in 2010 that it takes a while for a retooled starting five to buckle down together.

Don’t forget, Kobe is old. Not Jamie Moyer/Jim Leyland/Adam Sandler old, but he’s getting there.

In the Eastern Conference,

doesn’t have, obviously, that experience Dane had.”

Junior wide receiver Matt Kobbeman is the main receiving target, catching a team-high 29 passes on the year for 430 yards and four touchdowns.

The Bearcats are coming off a 38-14 win in Joplin against Missouri Southern Oct. 20.

Junior running back James Franklin paced the scoring for the offense with 16 carries for 50 yards and three touchdowns.

Senior safety and junior cornerback Travis Manning each recorded an interception, while the Bearcat defense did not al-

low a completed pass until the fourth quarter against the Lions’ option offense.

Dorrel said his team is excited to get this weekend over with and return home, but the Bearcats’ goal of going undefeated in October is the main priority.

“I think it would give us a ton of momentum. That’s why I’m very focused on that, and I think the kids are focused on that,” Dorrel said. “I think if somehow we could get a ‘W’ this week, I think we’re gonna be very fired up when we show back up for home next week.”

that pack in the East.

Therefore, in a rematch of last season’s NBA Finals, Oklahoma City and Miami will meet again.

And once again, the Heat will be a little too much for the young Thunder.

The only difference this season is that Oklahoma City will take the series deeper, going to a sixth game rather than just five.

As I said earlier, LeBron is in the opening stages of the best five years of basketball we’ll ever see from one individual since the days of that Jordan fella.

And I don’t want to miss one moment of it. See you in April.

PINK OUT VOLLEYBALL GAME



LORI FRANKENFIELD | NW MISSOURIAN

Junior Mackie Keller goes for a block against Missouri Western Tuesday.

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NW FOOTBALL

| MIAA STANDINGS | Overall | MIAA |
|-------------------------|---------|------|
| Emporia State..... | 8-0 | 8-0 |
| Washburn..... | 7-1 | 7-1 |
| NORTHWEST..... | 7-1 | 6-1 |
| Mo. Western..... | 7-1 | 6-1 |
| Pitt. State..... | 5-2 | 5-2 |
| Central Mo..... | 5-3 | 5-3 |
| Lindenwood..... | 5-3 | 4-3 |
| Mo. Southern..... | 5-3 | 4-3 |
| Truman..... | 4-4 | 3-4 |
| Fort Hays..... | 3-5 | 3-5 |
| Central Oklahoma..... | 1-6 | 1-6 |
| Northeastern State..... | 1-6 | 1-6 |
| Lincoln (Mo.)..... | 1-7 | 1-7 |
| Nebraska-Kearney..... | 1-7 | 1-7 |
| Southwest Baptist..... | 1-7 | 1-7 |

October 25:

Mo. Western at Emporia St.

October 27:

NORTHWEST at Washburn

Pitt. State at Truman

Mo. Southern at Lindenwood

Kearney at Central Mo.

MHS FOOTBALL

| MEC STANDINGS | Overall | MEC |
|------------------|---------|-----|
| MARYVILLE..... | 9-0 | 7-0 |
| Savannah..... | 8-1 | 6-1 |
| Lafayette..... | 7-2 | 5-2 |
| Smithville..... | 6-3 | 4-3 |
| LeBlond..... | 5-4 | 3-4 |
| Cameron..... | 2-7 | 2-5 |
| Chillicothe..... | 1-8 | 1-6 |
| Benton..... | 1-8 | 0-7 |

October 25:

Lincoln Prep at MARYVILLE

Van Horn at Savannah

Smithville at Excelsior Springs

Liberty North at Lafayette

NW VOLLEYBALL

| MIAA STANDINGS | Overall | MIAA |
|------------------------|---------|------|
| Washburn..... | 23-1 | 10-1 |
| Central Mo..... | 18-4 | 10-1 |
| Nebraska-Kearney..... | 23-2 | 9-1 |
| Truman..... | 21-4 | 9-2 |
| Emporia State..... | 16-7 | 6-4 |
| Fort Hays..... | 22-8 | 6-5 |
| Central Oklahoma..... | 11-12 | 6-6 |
| NORTHWEST..... | 11-12 | 5-6 |
| Pitt. State..... | 12-10 | 3-7 |
| Lindenwood..... | 13-11 | 3-7 |
| Mo. Western..... | 12-12 | 3-8 |
| Southwest Baptist..... | 8-18 | 1-11 |
| Mo. Southern..... | 0-24 | 0-12 |

October 26:

NORTHWEST at Lindenwood

Mo. Western at Mo. Southern

Central Okla. at Kearney

Southwest Baptist at Central Mo.

October 27:

NORTHWEST at Mo. Southern

MHS VOLLEYBALL

| MEC STANDINGS | Overall | MEC |
|------------------|---------|------|
| LeBlond..... | 31-1-2 | 7-0 |
| MARYVILLE..... | 12-3 | 8-1 |
| Smithville..... | 10-7-2 | 5-2 |
| Savannah..... | 10-8-1 | 6-4 |
| Benton..... | 12-10 | 7-6 |
| Chillicothe..... | 7-10-1 | 3-7 |
| Cameron..... | 12-15-1 | 1-6 |
| Lafayette..... | 7-11 | 1-10 |

October 27:


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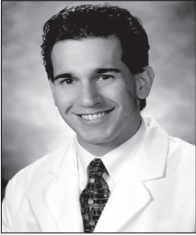


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KAYLA MEPELINK | NW MISSOURIAN
Senior forward Lane Hermelink looks to avoid a Savannah defender during the 1-0 double-overtime, shutout loss Monday at Donaldson-Westside Park.

Soccer faces Cameron in districts Saturday

JOEY TUCKER

Chief Reporter | @JoeTuck325

Maryville soccer will wrap up an injury-plagued regular season when they take on Cameron. The Spoofhounds had four players go down due to injury in a hard fought double-overtime loss against Savannah Monday. The 'Hounds tied the game at two late in regulation with a goal from senior forward Zack Miller. Each team failed to score in the first overtime period before Savannah junior Bert Ernst netted the game winner. Despite the loss and numerous injuries, head coach Stuart Collins was pleased with his team's performance. "We did a better job of communicating and making sure we're all on the same page," Collins said. "If we continue this and stay with our game plan, we'll find success. We've had injury problems all year, so it'll help once we

get everyone back on the field." The game against Cameron will be the third time the teams meet this season, with Maryville winning the first two matches handily. Maryville's senior night was played at 6 p.m. Wednesday on the Spoofhound football field. Results were unavailable as of press time. The Spoofhounds will begin district tournament play when they face Cameron for a fourth time at 5 p.m. Saturday. All district tournament games will be played at Chillicothe High School. The winner of that game will play Bishop LeBlond at 5 p.m. Tuesday. LeBlond is the No. 1 seed and will receive a first round bye. The championship game will be played at 5 p.m. Nov. 1. The Spoofhounds district also includes St. Pius X and Chillicothe.

Cross country rounds out year

JOEY TUCKER

Chief Reporter | @JoeTuck325

Maryville cross country will look to end the season on a high note in its district tournament this weekend. The Spoofhounds failed to place in the Richmond Invitational. Junior Zack Carmichael and sophomore Dominic Mattock guided the 'Hounds. It has been a season defined by a youthful roster gaining experience, head coach Phil Stone

said. "It's been different for us this year because we brought in a new group of runners without much background in long-distance running," Stone said. "Each runner has had to experience what it takes to be successful at the varsity level." The focus for the Spoofhounds is to win the district tournament, but Stone will also use it as preparation for next season. "I want to get these kids to accomplish a personal best one last

time, so they have some momentum going into the offseason," Stone said. "We didn't get an opportunity to go through summer training. These kids are disciplined and will work hard in June and July and will show up in August ready to go. I'm excited to see what we'll get next year early on." Six boys will run for the 'Hounds in the district tournament, led by Carmichael and Mattock. Maryville will run Friday at Platte Ridge Park in Platte City.

Klaus, volleyball battle during districts

CRAIG SIMS

Chief Sports Reporter | @NWMSports

With district playoffs in full swing, head volleyball coach Lori Klaus knows that anything can happen in the single-elimination tournament. "We have been working up to just every game getting better and playing harder," Klaus said. "It comes down to who takes care of the ball the most, who wants it the most and who has the most energy." Klaus said that her team does not prepare any differently for districts, except for working on mental preparation in the win-or-go-home tournament. "I think sometimes they feel the pressure," Klaus said. "We just always talk about passing the ball well, playing our offense and not being sloppy." The Spoofhounds took care of business Tuesday night in the semifinals facing the No. 4 Benton Cardinals. The 'Hounds won in 2-0 fashion, winning game one 25-23 and the second 25-17. Junior outside hitter Aubrey Kimble paced Maryville with seven kills, six digs and two aces. Junior right hitter Chelsea Byland finished with 13 digs, three kills and one ace. Senior outside hitter Sara Knowles added seven digs, seven kills and one ace. With the win, Maryville (23-6-2) faced the No. 2 seeded Savannah Savages in the championship game. The Savages defeated Lafayette Tuesday 2-0 in their semi-final game to improve their record to 16-10-4 overall. The Spoofhounds and Savages played Wednesday, but results were unavailable as of press time. The winner between Maryville and Savannah plays St. Pius X (22-6-



LORI FRANKENFIELD | NW MISSOURIAN
Senior outside hitter Sara Knowles returns the ball back to the Fairfax side during the Spoofhounds' victory during the Spike Out Cancer game.

3) in sectionals Oct. 27. Klaus said her team is just trying to take it one game at a time at this point of the season. "We have to focus on one team

at a time and how to beat that team," Klaus said. "We will look at their defense and their offense and focus on what we can do to beat them and just go from there."

ATHLETES of the WEEK



BEARCATS

Trevor Adams



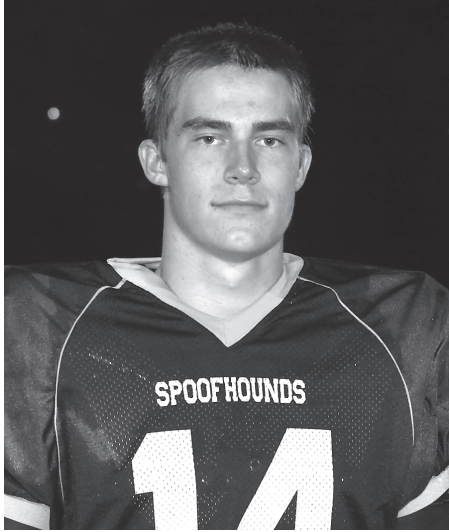
Junior quarterback Trevor Adams paced the Northwest offense in the 38-14 win over Missouri Southern with 292 yards and a touchdown on 25-of-33 passing.

Bridget Hanafin



Junior setter Bridget Hanafin finished the 3-1 loss to Emporia State with 39 assists, 12 digs and two kills while filling in for freshman setter Dallas Gardner.

Jonathan Baker



Senior quarterback Jonathan Baker passed for 163 yards and also rushed for 99 yards in the 27-20 regular season finale over Lafayette. Baker scored four total touchdowns.

Aubrey Kimble



Junior outside hitter Aubrey Kimble led the Spoofhounds in their win in the opening round of the District tournament with seven kills, six digs and two aces against Benton.



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Basketball tips off against Division-I

DALTON VITT

Online Editor | @DTrain_KC

The Northwest men's basketball team will open its season Monday with an in-state Division-I opponent.

The Bearcats will head to Columbia for an exhibition matchup with the Missouri Tigers, who made the NCAA Tournament last year as a No. 2 seed before falling to No. 15 seed Norfolk State.

"I've found there's ways to approach (games like this)," head coach Ben McCollum said. "My old coach used to say, 'You know, your objective is to just try to make the next pass.' Because they pressure you so much at that level. Just try to make that next pass and survive and don't go in there thinkin' you're just going to run over them."

Northwest finished last season with a share of the MIAA regular season crown, ending the year with a 22-7 overall record.

"We hadn't had a lot of success before last season, so being able to handle that success is going to be the thing that we really need to ad-

dress and focus on," McCollum said. "This is a completely different year, a completely different team."

"You still gotta be hungry. You gotta work just as hard, if not harder than you did the previous year because you're gonna take everybody's best shot."

Senior guard DeShaun Cooper led the team in scoring, assists and steals in 2012 with 14.7, 4.1 and 1.1 per-game averages, respectively.

"He's a big part of the success not only on the floor, but off the floor as far as establishing that culture, recruiting the right kids and just being a quality representative of Northwest basketball," McCollum said. "He's a huge part of our success, and we're definitely going to miss him after this season."

Northwest begins its campaign to protect the MIAA crown in its first regular season game Nov. 11 at home against Graceland.



FILE PHOTO | NW MISSOURIAN
Senior guard DeShaun Cooper takes off for the hoop in a game last season.

Soccer looks to finish out regular season on high note

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Northwest women's soccer is looking forward to its pivotal matchup with Missouri Southern to end the regular season.

Not only will the Bearcats honor their seniors, but will play a game which may decide whether their first MIAA Tournament match is played at Bearcat Pitch.

Following a split weekend in which Northwest defeated Missouri Baptist then lost to Central Missouri, the 'Cats are prepared to play a physical Lions team at home, senior midfielder Amanda Bundrant said.

"Missouri Southern is a good team who will attack, so we're just looking to make clean passes and play our game," Bundrant said. "We have a chance to earn a home game in the conference tournament, and we won't take that lightly."

With the MIAA Tournament

only a week away, head coach Tracy Hoza had her team focused on its next opponent during practice this week.

"We have a chance to decide our own fate and know what we have to do as a team," Hoza said. "This is a focused group. As a coaching staff, we know when we tell them to do something, they'll do it."

Hoza plans to work on limiting mistakes defensively and being more aggressive offensively this week in practice.

"We've got to get better at defending one on one and not allowing our opponent to get through or get any easy shots off," Hoza said. "It comes down to the angle, speed and how aggressively we approach the ball. We just have to do a little bit more on the attack. It's all very correctable."

Northwest will play Missouri Southern at 1 p.m. Sunday at Bearcat Pitch. The MIAA Tournament will be held Nov. 1 - Nov. 3.



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THE SECRET WEAPONS

Northwest special teamers make major improvements during offseason

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In the game of football, most people just think about offense and defense. However, the impact and influence that Northwest's special teams have had in their 7-1 record is becoming something that must be noticed.

Two players involved in the recent success of special teams are sophomore punter Kyle Goodburn and senior kicker Todd Adolf.

After a game against Pitt State at the Fall Classic two weeks ago, Goodburn was named the Division II football player of the week and the special teams player of the week in the 31-21 win over the Gorillas.

Goodburn punted six times, three of them inside the 20-yard line, with two punts of 50 yards or more.

He leads the league in punting average and is fourth in Division II with a 45.50 punt average.

Goodburn said that other than taking shorter steps when he punts, he has not changed many things mechanically this season.

"A lot of it starts with stuff in the offseason with working

out and weight training trying to get my leg stronger," Goodburn said.

In eight games, he has already tied his number from all of last season with nine punts inside the 20-yard line.

His current punt average of

45.38 yards is nearly eight points more than his average last year of 37.5.

As for Adolf, he has made nine of his 11 field goals this season and is a perfect 43-43 on extra points.

He already has three field goals of 40-plus yards, one shy of his record of four held last season, with three games still left to play in the regular season.

Both Adolf and Goodburn attribute experience and confidence to the consistency they are seeing this season.

"Really, it's the whole confidence thing," Goodburn said. "Just the experience from last year and feeling stronger. I'm gonna go out there and do my job every time and punt it 45 to 50 yards, putting it where I need to."

Adolf said that he is putting less pressure on himself when kicking this season.

"I'm going out there and having fun with it," Adolf said. "I'm enjoying the experience more this year. I think coach Dorrel has a lot of confidence in me and Kyle, and anytime your head coach is confident in you, it stores a little more confidence in yourself. That makes for a good kicking experience."

One man Goodburn and Adolf said they talk to for advice about kicking happens to be a former NFL player.

Goodburn's dad, Kelly Goodburn, played seven seasons as a professional punter for the Kansas City Chiefs and Washington Redskins from 1987 to 1993.

Kelly won a Super Bowl with the Redskins in 1991.

"He watches my film on how I'm doing," Kyle said. "He's always telling me stuff to get better. Things like 'your steps are too big, you need to get the ball out, need to get your head down,' all that stuff. It's really helped out."

Kelly said that Todd and Kyle are both willing to learn and listen, something that Kelly says is a big thing to try to get better

kicking.

"They are the ones that do all the kicking," Kelly said. "I just look and see some real small things that might help them out. I see some things maybe in their warm ups or how they can be a little

more efficient.

"You're not gonna hit them all good, and you're not gonna be perfect, but you can try to eliminate some unnecessary movement. The whole thing is to try to be as consistent as you can," Kelly said.

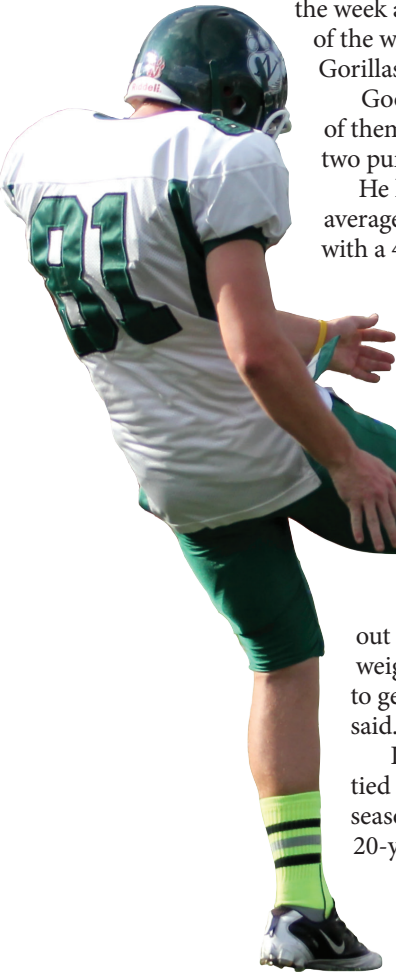
With the mental aspect of kicking and punting, Adolf and Goodburn said that it is important to keep that same routine to stay consistent.

"Second down I grab my helmet, third down I grab a drink of water and strap my helmet up," Adolf said.

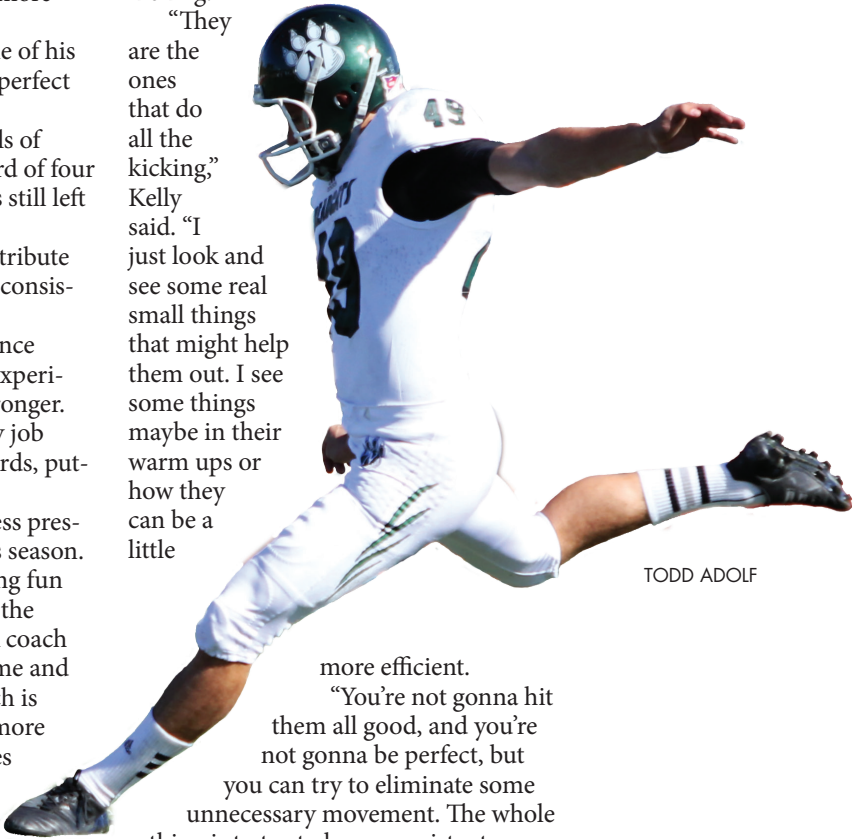
Adolf said he is always ready for a field goal, but makes sure to tell junior quarterback Trevor Adams, the holder during field goals, that it is nice to take some pressure off sometimes.

"I tell him that I want those easy days that you're making me kick extra points. I love those easy days of extra points and kickoffs," Adolf said.

KYLE GOODBURN



TODD ADOLF



Bearcat football ends road trip

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The No. 5 Northwest football team will play its fourth straight away game Saturday, seeking an undefeated October stretch.

The Bearcats travel to Topeka, Kan. to take on No. 16 Washburn for the Ichabods' Homecoming game.

The first NCAA regional rankings for Super Region 3 came out Monday, listing Northwest at No. 5 out of the six teams that, as of now, would make the playoffs.

Northwest sits behind Minnesota State Mankato, Henderson State, Harding and conference foe Emporia State, in that order.

Washburn sits at 7-1 with its lone loss coming at the hands of Central Oklahoma, whom Northwest beat 70-7 Oct. 6.

"We can obtain a big goal Saturday," head coach Adam Dorrel said. "When the schedule came out, we sat down and we said we wanted to go undefeated in October. We knew we were gonna have to go on the road a couple weeks; that's tough. This is the last step. I feel good about that, and I feel like that's something our kids really want to accomplish, that road dog mentality."

Sophomore quarterback Mitch Buhler leads the Washburn offense with 15 passing touchdowns, good for fourth in the MIAA. Sophomore Joel Piper has

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Spoofhounds kick off playoffs at home

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Thursday marks the beginning of another Maryville football playoff run, and being the No. 1 seed, the 9-0 Spoofhounds will take on an inferior opponent.

The 'Hounds will face Lincoln College Preparatory High School, which finished the regular season at 2-7, at 7 p.m. at home.

Head coach Matt Webb said the Thursday game, rather than the traditional Friday night kickoff, will throw players out of their routines.

"You come out to practice right after school, and you get used to a routine this time of year," Webb said. "As a coach, our goal and my goal is to make sure to keep that routine. The difference is with this playoff system the way it is, you shorten these weeks."

The 'Hounds' abundance of seniors will help the team prepare for the postseason, according to Webb.

"Obviously, every year this is our goal, and this is what we want to reach at this point in the season," Webb said. "This season we have a very experienced team, and we have a great amount of leadership from the older guys that have been here before. I think that'll pay dividends when we play Thursday night for the first round of the playoffs. They know what to expect, and we'll lean on them heavily."

The Spoofhounds played Lafayette in the final game of the regular season Oct. 19, winning 27-20.

"What was revealed against that Lafayette team was our

character and our courage to be able to be down twice in a ball game and come out on the road and come back and win a football game," Webb said. "There's not an ounce of scared or nervousness with this football team. They're ready to go win it one game at a time. We've won nine ball games, and all of them in different fashions."

The end of a tough final three-game stretch gave Webb and his team one of their goals: to finish the regular season undefeated.

"I think you deal with the reality at this time of year that it's one-and-done," Webb said. "We've worked our rear ends off to be 9-0 and be a No. 1 seed and to be able to play at home. And that's what we want. That was our goal at the beginning of the season."

"So now we've worked ourselves into this position where you have that. You've obtained home field, you're in the tournament and all you wanna do is win one game at a time. We've set ourselves in a great position to be able to be successful."

Webb said the threat of being eliminated in the single-



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Sophomore Brady McMahon runs the ball for the final touchdown in the 27-20 victory Oct. 19.

elimination format at any time adds something to the mix for a senior-laden team.

"The nights and the practices and the days you get to spend with each other as a teammate, they're limited," Webb said. "You want to make sure, when you walk off the field for every game from here on out, that you've played your best. You want to give your best effort, and that you've played your absolute best because you never know when it could be done."

Miami, L.A., OKC only contenders for NBA championship

DALTON VITT
Online Editor



The NBA begins regular season play Oct. 30, and I couldn't be any happier.

In the least amount of words possible, here is why you should be too. LeBron is embarking on the second year of the best five years a basketball player will ever have, Dwight and Nash joined Kobe in L.A., the Thunder still play the most enjoyable basketball ever seen and LeBron is embarking on the second year...

Yeah, I already said it once. I figured it was important enough for a second mention.

In the Western Conference, you've essentially got two teams competing for a spot in the Finals against LeBr - , I mean, the Heat.

I am wide-open-Nash-to-Howard-alley-oop sure that the Lakers and Thunder will fight in the Western Conference Finals.

There are some fun teams out west, but none that can legitimately contend.

The Clippers, Warriors and Rockets will be exciting, but not talented enough to knock either team out.

The Spurs are old, Denver still isn't there yet and Oklahoma City has already proven they can beat Memphis in April.

When it's said and done,

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